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Stepp Branch Gas Company Inc.

OF

P.O. Box 328 East Lynn, WV 25512

Rates, Rules and Regulations for Furnishing

Natural Gas

AT

Stepp Branch Community

Martin, Kentucky

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RATES AND CHARGES

APPLICABLE:

Available to applicants along the gas lines of Stepp Branch Gas Company

AVAILABILITY OF SERVICE:

Available to all classes of customers.

RATES: MONTHLY

Minimum Bill 1MCF	\$6.95
All additional MCF	\$6.60

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Bills for service will be rendered monthly, the term "month" shall mean the period between consecutive meter readings which shall be taken, as nearly as possible, every 30 days.
2. Bills are rendered on the first day of the month for service furnished during the previous month and are due on that date. Bills not paid by the 10th of the month shall be subject to a 10 percent penalty on the monthly amount due.
3. A reconnection charge of \$25.00 shall be paid before service is restored following disconnection for non-payment of bills.
4. Customers who request disconnection and subsequently re-establish service at the same premises within 12 months shall pay a reconnection charge of \$50.00.
5. A service charge of \$15.00 will be imposed on any customer whose check is returned from the bank due to insufficient funds. Any such accounts will be considered in arrears, subject to penalty and possible termination after notice pursuant to 807 KAR 5:006, Section 11.
6. A charge of \$15.00 will be levied when a trip is made to collect a delinquent bill after proper notice.
7. Service will not be discontinued for non-payment of bill without first having made a reasonable effort to induce the customer to pay. A 10-day written notice of termination will be given the customer but the shut off shall not be effected before 27 days after the mailing date of the original bill. This notice is separate from the bill and will include notification of state, local, and federal programs, if any, and their addresses which provide assistance in payment of utility bills under certain conditions.
8. For matters not addressed herein, Stepp Branch Gas Company, Inc. adopts the applicable rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission.

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GAS COST ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE

Determination of GCA

The Company shall file a semi-annual report with the Commission which shall contain an updated Gas Cost Adjustment (GCA) and shall be filed at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the rate period. The GCA shall become effective for service rendered on or after the first day of the rate period.

The Gas Cost Adjustment is comprised of:

1. The expected gas cost (EGC) on a dollar-per-Mcf basis, which represents the average expected cost of purchased gas for the winter billing period.
2. The Actual Cost Adjustment (AGA), on a dollar-per-Mcf basis, compensates for over- or under-collection of gas cost resulting from differences between expected gas cost and the actual cost of gas. For purposes of determining the GCA, the ACA will be calculated for the prior winter billing period and will be applied to customers' bills for the 10-month period June through March.

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Billing

The gas cost adjustment to be applied to bills of customers shall equal the sum of the following components:

$$GCA = EGC + ACA$$

The GCA will be added to or subtracted from the base rates on file with the Commission and will be included in the tariff rates contained in these tariffs.

Definitions

For the purposes of this tariff:

- a. "Average Expected Cost" is the cost of purchased gas which results from the application of supplier rates currently in effect, or reasonably expected to be in effect during the winter billing period, to the purchased volumes for the prior winter billing period, divided by the corresponding sales volume.
- b. "Winter Billing Period" is the 4-month period December through March. The EGC will be included in customers' rates during this period.

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- c. "Rate Period" is either the 6-month period December through May or the 6-month period June through November.
- d. "Winter Filing" is the semi-annual report filed with the Commission at least thirty (30) days prior to the winter billing period. The winter filing will contain the EGC for the volumes purchased during the winter billing period. The EGC contained in the winter filing is applicable to bills for service rendered only during the winter billing period.
- e. "Summer Filing" is the semi-annual report filed with the Commission at least thirty (30) days prior to the summer rate period, June through November. The summer filing will contain the ACA for the prior winter billing period. The ACA will be in effect for the summer rate period plus the following winter billing period.

Interim Gas Cost Adjustment

The Company may apply to the Commission for an interim GCA should any significant change in supplier rates occur.

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